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In re application of: Randy Jon Clark, et al.

Confirmation No.: 8134

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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No additional fee for claims is required.

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Title

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 1, 2007, and is intended to be responsive to each and every issue raised in that Action. This document is believed to be timely in view of the three-month shortened statutory period for response that was stated in the Action.

Amendments to the claims are shown in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.